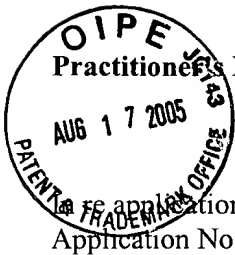


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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re application of: Jeff Schulz
Application No.: 09/686,539
Filed: October 11, 2000
For: PARITY EXCHANGE

Group No.: 2663
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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
(37 C.F.R. § 1.114)

1. Applicant hereby requests continued examination, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, for the above identified application.

TIME REQUEST IS BEING MADE

2. This request is being submitted:
 - i. Prior to abandonment of the application

ENCLOSURES

3. Enclosed herewith is:

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.8(a) and 1.10*

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FEE FOR REQUEST (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)).

4. This application is on behalf of other than small entity.

Continued Prosecution Request Fee: 790.00

FEE FOR CLAIMS

5. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

	(Col.1)	(Col. 2)	(Col. 3)	OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY	
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDIT. FEE
TOTAL	15	MINUS 20	= 0	x \$ 50.00	= \$ 0.00
INDEP.	2	MINUS 3	= 0	x \$ 200.00	= \$ 0.00
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM				+ \$ 360.00	= \$ 0.00
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE					\$ 0.00

No additional fee for claims is required.

EXTENSION OF TIME

6. The proceedings herein are for a patent application, and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) apply.

Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, this is a conditional petition and authorization to pay the necessary fees to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

TOTAL FEE(S) DUE

7. The total fee(s) due is/are:

Continued Prosecution Fee (Section 1.17(e))	\$790.00
Fee(s) for additional claims (Section 1.16(b)-(d))	\$0.00
Total Fee(s) Due:	\$790.00

PAYMENT OF FEE(S) DUE

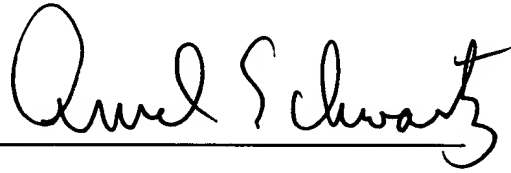
8. Please pay the fee(s) for this continued examination application as follows:

Check is attached for the sum of \$790.00.

Please charge any required additional fee(s) for § 1.17(e), § 1.16(b)-(d) and/or § 1.17(a)(1)-(4) to Account 19-0737.

INVENTORSHIP

9. This application as amended names as inventors the same inventors as previously designated for the claims.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Ansel Schwartz", written over a horizontal line.

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